

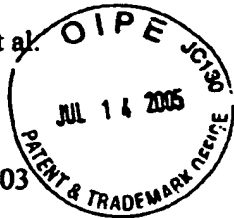
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Applicants: Farbaniec, et al.

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RESPONSE and AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.121

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office action mailed on April 21, 2005. A response is due by July 21, 2005. This response is being filed before July 21, 2005, and is therefore timely filed.

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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>O-3795/1086.015C</b>	
Applicant(s): <b>Farbaniec et al</b>					
Application No. <b>10/664,302</b>	Filing Date <b>9/16/03</b>	Examiner <b>Footland, Lenard A.</b>	Customer No. <b>25,779</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3682</b>	Confirmation No. <b>4338</b>
Invention: <b>SELF-LUBRICATED CONNECTOR</b>					
<b><u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	17 -	24 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	4 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0734 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038.					
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